

RECALL ELECTION CALENDAR – FEBRUARY 4, 2003

All section references are to the Elections Code unless stated otherwise. GC references the California Government Code, Ed. Cd. references the California Education Code.

October 23 thru November 6 (E-104-90)	<u>NOTICE OF ELECTION</u> The Registrar of Voters must publish once in a newspaper of general circulation the Notice of Election. The notice shall contain the date of the election and shall name the office for which candidates may be nominated; the qualifications for each office; when and where nomination papers may be obtained; §12112, §12113, Ed. Cd. §5361, §5363
October 23 thru November 6 (E-104-90)	<u>GENERAL PRESS RELEASE</u> Between these dates the Registrar of Voters shall issue a general press release which shall set forth the district elective office to be filled and a telephone number that voters may use to obtain information. §12112
October 24 thru November 21 (E-103-75)	<u>NOMINATION PERIOD</u> Declaration of candidacy forms may be obtained from and be delivered for filing to the Registrar of Voters office from October 24, 2002 through November 21, 2002, 5:00 p.m. §10510, §10603, §11381
October 24 thru November 21 (E-103-75)	<u>CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS</u> Each candidate may prepare a statement on a form provided by the Registrar of Voters. The statement may contain no more than 200 words. The statement must be filed at the same time the declaration of candidacy is filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the nomination period and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period. §13307 The Registrar of Voters will estimate the total cost of printing and handling the candidate's statements and will require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance his/her estimated pro rata share as a condition of having his/her statement included in the voter's pamphlet. This amount must be paid at the time the candidate's statement is filed. If there is an underpayment, the candidate shall be required to pay the balance of the cost incurred. Overpayments will be refunded within 30 days of the election. §13307 The candidate's statement is confidential until after the expiration of the filing period. Copies of all candidate's statements will be available for public inspection at the Registrar of Voters office for 10 days prior to being submitted for printing. §13311, §13313
October 24 thru November 21 (E-103-75)	<u>CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FOR OFFICER WHOSE RECALL IS BEING SOUGHT</u> An officer whose recall is being sought may file a candidate's statement of qualifications. §11327
November 21 (E-75)	<u>DEADLINE - OF FILING NOMINATION DOCUMENTS</u> Last day to file nomination documents and candidate's statement with Registrar of Voters. §10510, §10603, §11381

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November 21 (E-75)	<u>LAST DAY FOR CANDIDATES TO WITHDRAW</u> No candidate shall withdraw his/her declaration of candidacy after 5:00 p.m. on the 75th day prior to the election. §10510, §10603, §11381
November 22 (E-74)	<u>RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING</u> On this day the Secretary of State shall conduct a drawing of the letters of the alphabet, the result of which shall be known as the randomized alphabet, to determine the order in which candidates appear on the ballot. §13111(f), §13113
November 22 thru December 1* (E-74-65)	<u>PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD FOR CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS</u> During this period, candidate's statement of qualifications will be available for public examination in the office of the Registrar of Voters. §13313(a)
December 9 thru January 21 (E-57-14)	<u>WRITE-IN CANDIDATES</u> First day nomination papers are available for a write-in candidate. Must be filed by January 21, 2003, 5:00 p.m. §8601
December 26 (E-40)	<u>FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS DUE</u> The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period July 1 through December 21, 2002. GC §84200.8
December 26 thru January 14 (E-40-21)	<u>SAMPLE BALLOT MAILING</u> Between these dates sample ballot pamphlets will be mailed by the Registrar of Voters. §9094, §11324, §11325
January 6, 2003 (E-29)	<u>LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION AND STILL BE MAILED A SAMPLE BALLOT PAMPHLET</u> Voters registering after October 7 will NOT be mailed a sample ballot pamphlet. §13303
January 6 thru January 28 (E-29-7)	<u>ABSENTEE VOTING</u> Absentee ballots available during this period. A written application is required and must contain printed name, residence address, signature of voter and where the ballot is to be mailed. §3001, §3003
January 19 thru February 3 (E-16-1)	<u>LATE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REPORTING PERIOD</u> Contributions received of \$1,000 or more per source must be reported within 24 hours during this period. GC §84203
January 20* (E-15)	<u>LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION</u> §2102, §2107
January 21 (E-14)	<u>DEADLINE FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES TO FILE</u> Last day for write-in candidate to file nomination papers by 5:00 p.m. §8601

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January 23 (E-12)	<u>SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS DUE</u> The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period December 22, 2002, through January 18, 2003. §84200.8
January 29 thru February 4 (E-6-0)	<u>ABSENTEE VOTING - EXTENDED PERIOD</u> During this period absentee ballots are available when conditions prevent voting at polling place. Written application signed under penalty of perjury is required unless the absent voters ballot is voted in the office of the elections official. §3021
February 4 (E-0)	<u>ELECTION DAY</u> Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ballots will be centrally counted at the Registrar of Voters office. §10541, §14212, §15260
February 4 (E-0)	<u>ABSENT VOTER BALLOTS RETURNED</u> Deadline for the Registrar of Voters to receive absentee ballots by mail or in person is February 4, 2003, 8:00 p.m. A voter may deliver his/her absentee ballot in person to any polling place in the county by the close of the polls on election day. §3017
February 6 (E+2)	<u>COMMENCE OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS</u> Votes will be canvassed by the Registrar of Voters. §10547, §15301
February 25 (E+21)	<u>CANVASS OF OFFICIAL RETURNS MUST BE COMPLETED BY THIS DATE</u> §15372
February 25 (E+21)	<u>CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION</u> Approximately on this date the elections official shall make and deliver to the person elected a certificate of election signed by the elections official. §10553, §15372, §15401
After cert- ification of election	<u>DATE OF TAKING OFFICE</u> If at a recall election an officer is recalled, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for the office shall be declared elected for the unexpired term of the recalled officer. §11385 If the candidate who received the highest number of votes fails to qualify within 10 days after receiving his/her certificate of election, the office to which he/she was elected shall be vacant, and shall be filled according to law. §11386
July 31 (E+177)	<u>SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS DUE</u> Last day to file semi-annual campaign disclosure statements for all candidates and committees for the period through June 30, 2003. GC §84200